



MID-TERM ELECTIONS, 2006

SELECTED WEBSITES AND ONLINE PUBLICATIONS

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Midterm elections are elections in the United States in which members of Congress are elected, but not the President.

On the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November of every even-numbered year, elections are held for all 435 members of the United States House of Representatives and 33 or 34 of the 100 members of the United States Senate. However, Presidential elections occur only every four years. Those elections for Congress that do not coincide with Presidential races are called midterm elections, because they occur about midway through a Presidential term.

34 of the 50 U.S. states elect their governors to four-year terms during midterm elections, while Vermont and New Hampshire elect governors to two-year terms in midterm and presidential elections. Thus, 36 governors are elected during midterm elections.

****The next midterm elections for the House, Senate, and governorships are scheduled for November 7, 2006**** 22 of the seats up for election are held by Republicans and 14 by Democrats.

<u>Constitution</u>	<u>Federal government</u>	<u>President</u>	<u>Vice President</u>
<u>Cabinet</u>	<u>Congress</u>	<u>Senate</u>	<u>Congressional districts</u>
<u>President of the Senate</u>	<u>President <i>pro tempore</i></u>	<u>Majority Leader</u>	
<u>Minority Leader</u>	<u>House of Representatives</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>U.S. state</u>

The States: Currently, 22 of the seats up for election are held by Republicans and 14 by Democrats.

Governors: U.S. gubernatorial elections, 2006 - Of the 50 Governors of US states, 36 are up for election. Most terms are for four years, although some will be for two years, as mandated by each state's constitution.

United States House of Representatives: United States House of Representatives elections, 2006 All 435 seats in the U.S. House of Representatives are up for election. All terms are for two years.

United States Senate: United States Senate elections, 2006 - The 33 seats in the United States Senate Class 1 will be up for election. All terms are for six years.

News:

[The Cook Political Report National Overview](#)

[Political Wire: History's Guide to the Midterm Elections](#)

[BBC NEWS - Q&A: US mid-term elections 2006](#)

[The Green Papers: United States Midterm Election 2006](#)

[NewsWatch: White House: The bard of midterm elections](#)

[Election news resources](#)

[RealClearPolitics](#) – polls, etc – detailed

[ABC News](#) - breaking political news / [CBS](#) politics news

[CNN America Votes 2004](#) / [CNN 2004 results](#) / [NBC5 politics news](#)

[Washington Post elections news](#) / [USA Today politics and election news](#)

[Election Blog Roundup](#)

Articles:

[The 2006 midterm elections](#)

[Public Opinion Watch: 2006 Election Outlook](#)

[2006 Midterm Elections: Stay the Course or Tidal Wave?](#)

[Decision '08 -- 2006 News](#)

[Congressional Primaries and Filing Deadlines](#), CRS report, November 8, 2005

Election Resources:

[Library of Congress resources](#) - bibliography, some hyperlinks

The Machinery of Democracy: Protecting Elections in an Electronic World. NYU School of Law, Brennan Center for Justice, Task Force Report, June 27, 2006. [Full Report](#) / [Executive Summary](#)

[Project Vote Smart](#)

[Printable Maps](#): Congressional Districts, 109th Congress (2005-2006)

[Find a boundary map](#) for any Congressional district, plus data profile of the current Member

[State election laws and administration issues](#)

[State election directors](#)

[State election officials](#)

[Federal Voting Assistance Program](#)

[U.S. election procedures](#)

[Elections: The Nation's Evolving Election System as Reflected in the November 2004 General Election](#). GAO Report, June 2005.

[Information on a Survey of Local Election Jurisdictions in the U.S.](#)

[A Survey of Election Officials](#)

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